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| Notice of Allowability | Application No. | Applicant(s) | |
| | 10/045,901 | DIVELBISS ET AL. | |
| | Examiner | Art Unit | |
| | Audrey Y. Chang | 2872 | |

-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--
All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to resposne filed on September 29, 2006.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 49-57, (renumbered as 1-9).
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* Certified copies not received: _____.

Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.
THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.

4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date <u>9/29/2006</u>4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material | <ol style="list-style-type: none">5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application6. <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____.7. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Amendment/Comment8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____. |
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REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

1. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after allowance or after an Office action under *Ex Parte Quayle*, 25 USPQ 74, 453 O.G. 213 (Comm'r Pat. 1935). Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, prosecution in this application has been reopened pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on **September 29, 2006** has been entered.
2. No amendment to the claims have been filed.
3. Claims 49-57 remain pending in this application.

Information Disclosure Statement

4. The information disclosure statement filed on **September 29, 2006** fails to comply with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3) because it does not include a concise explanation of the relevance, as it is presently understood by the individual designated in 37 CFR 1.56(c) most knowledgeable about the content of the information, of each patent listed that is not in the English language. It has been placed in the application file, but the information referred to therein has not been considered.

The listed reference 196 26 097 (AU) is lacking an English translation. The search report is based on different sets of claims from the instant application and the instant application is not claimed as national stage of PCT/US01/32087.

Reasons For Allowance

5. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: of the prior art references considered, none has disclosed a *digital micro-mirror device (DMD) format conversion system* for

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outputting a *stereoscopic encoded optical signal* in a format readable within an *image projection display system* employing a *DMD* and a *color wheel*, wherein the *DMD format conversion system* comprises a *3D data formatter* for receiving an *input signal* comprising stereoscopic information having an input frame rate and providing an *output signal* having stereoscopic information and control information that has a *self synchronized output frame rate independent and decoupled from* the input frame rate, a *digital micro-mirror device (DMD) data formatter* comprising a dual port memory controller, a memory device, a digital micro-mirror device data converter and a digital micro-controller, for receiving the output signal having stereoscopic image information and control information from the 3D data formatter and for *outputting a DMD output signal* having stereoscopic image information and control information. The *DMD output signal* having stereoscopic image information and control information including a *color wheel control signal indicative of rotation rate and output digital micro-mirror device data indicative of micro-mirror switching rates* wherein the color wheel control signal and output digital micro-mirror device data are *synchronized* based on the output frame rate generated by the 3D data formatter. The output *DMD data* is readable by a digital micro-mirror chip. The *DMD format conversion system* is further comprised in a *DMD projection system* that further comprise an illumination source for transmitting light to a condensed optics, a rotating color wheel that receives the light from the condensed optics and is coupled to the digital micro-mirror device data formatter, a digital micro-mirror chip for reflecting light from the rotating color wheel, a 3D encoder system for stereoscopically encoded the light reflected from the digital micro-mirror chip and a projection optics for projecting the stereoscopic encoded optical signal, as set forth in the claims.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

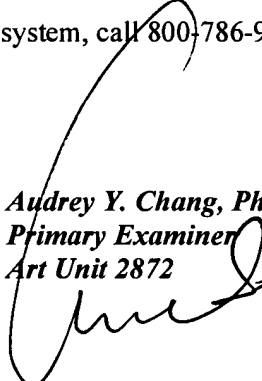
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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Audrey Y. Chang whose telephone number is 571-272-2309. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday (8:00-4:30), alternative Mondays off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Drew Dunn can be reached on 571-272-2312. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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